

Sunscreen Policy

Parent Permission Form

Sunscreen Protection

The _____ recognize that:

- One serious (blistering) sunburn in childhood can double the risk of skin cancer
- The vast majority of total lifetime sun exposure occurs by age 18
- Children average three times more exposure to the sun's rays than adults
- Skin Cancer, the fastest growing cancer in the U.S., represents two new cases diagnosed every minute and one person dying from skin cancer every hour
- Regular use of sun block with SPF 15 or higher during the first 18 years of life can lower the risk of certain types of skin cancer by up to 78%

Therefore to promote good health, safety and protect all students and staff from harmful ultraviolet rays, the _____ implements the regular use sunscreen on students and staff during all outside events and activities.

The _____ will provide sunscreen with at least an SPF of 30 or higher for participating students and staff. Staff will assist children with application of lotion if necessary to ensure complete skin coverage and protection. If students are participating in an outing or event that will last longer than 4 hours, the recreation staff will re-apply the sunscreen to students at least one additional time. Parents can provide brand name or SPF specific sunscreen lotion for their child if they desire. Parent permission will be necessary for policy implementation and will be obtained during program registration.

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Based on information obtained from the American Academy of Pediatrics and the American Cancer Society, the _____ follows these guidelines regarding the application of sunscreen on children:

- One brand/type of sunscreen with an SPF of at least 30 will be provided for children and staff enrolled in the _____ that have completed and signed the written permission slip (bottom portion of this sheet) authorizing the application of sunscreen to their child.
- If a permission slip authorizing the application of sunscreen is in file, sunscreen will be applied to children by staff at least once before participating in outside events and activities and re-applied if outside for more than four hours or more if necessary.
- It is the parents' responsibility to apply sunscreen to their child before releasing their child to the care of the _____.
- If your child has a sensitivity to certain sunscreens, please check with the Recreation Director to evaluate the sunscreen that the center provides.

Child's Name: _____
Please Print

☐ I authorize the staff at the (Insert Recreation Program Name) to apply sunscreen to my child

☐ DO NOT apply sunscreen to my child

I am also aware that this permission slip will be valid for as long as my child is enrolled at the program or until I have submitted written request to nullify all of the terms of this permission slip.

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____
Please Print